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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yin et al.

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INTERCONNECT STRUCTURE WITH
INTERLAYER DIELECTRIC (as amended)

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed October 20, 2006, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on January 22, 2007, January 20th being a Saturday.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.